

Stwood

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Dear Tom -

We were glad to hear your letter, & without him knowing it, I am sending you a note with some thoughts of my own.

You realized that when we were with you in Madison Tim left with a strong feeling of enthusiasm for the whole deal - whereas I, who had practically forced him to go up there in the first place, because he actually was not enthusiastic at all before we went, seemed seriously lacking in enthusiasm. And I was - but I can't put very finger on the reason. Perhaps it was something about Bourne that bothered me - I believe you sensed it, because you said you had been suspicious of him at first -

it may have been that, after all, I
didn't want to pull up the roots
which, because of our enlarged home
as much as anything, we have
managed to sink deeper into O.R.
than we had realized - whether it
was, it was purely emotional & certainly
should be discounted. Now, however,
I find that Kinn's enthusiasm has
~~wanted~~^{WANTED} to the point that he says if
the offer is such that he will take
the job, it will be only because he
can have 3 months in W.H. in the
Summer. He doesn't want to leave our
home (which we both really love, &
which is huge & a great improvement),
he wouldn't put Wisconsin $\frac{1}{2}$ a thought
if you weren't there - & he is afraid
you will leave soon anyhow - etc., etc.
And the lab facilities here, & his work,
are thoroughly satisfactory to him. On
the other hand, I feel that he must

hear O.R. soon if he ever wants to
be in a university again - or people in
universities will get the idea that he
has no desire to leave & plans to stay
here for good - ergo, no job offers. I says
this is nonsense - if anyone in a uni-
versity with a good job is offering him
really wants him they will say so,
not beat around the bush - nor offer
said job to anyone else until he has
had a chance to refuse or accept it. for
some reason - I think it's necessity to
W.H. only - he would grab a good
job at Harvard anytime if it were
offered to him. When we got back
from Madison Hollander gave him a
raise - partly because he had
heard Tim was in Wisconsin & he
thought he might keep him, I suppose -
so if we go to Wisconsin it certainly
won't be because the salary is so

much better!

I'm telling you all this simply because I feel I should warn you that maybe, in the final show-down, Kim will not go. This is strictly entre nous, & I write it to you simply because we are good friends & I feel you should have a finger closer to the pulse than I do. Kim would probably be furious if he knew - please keep it to yourself, & don't share it with Esther or anyone. I don't intend to be a meddling wife, & if my urging will do any good I shall probably urge that Kim take the job, & then the offer comes & it is at all acceptable. The housing really does bother Kim - it is far more expensive than here, of course - & he wants a large house

because we need it & have finally
got one here.

As for the baby, he is fine - but
we had a miserable summer - or
mostly I did. He was born when
Kim was in Manila - after ^{Kim's} ~~his~~
return in W. H. & he had come
back here. Nicky developed two
epiglottal hernias & I took him to
Children's Hospital in Boston where a
sigmoid craniectomy was performed
on him, & then the hernias repaired.
Needless to say we are damned near
broke, & just want to be quiet & rege-
tate for a while!

Hope you are having a magnificent
time - if you run into an insect
physiologist named Darcy Glenauer
give him my love and ask him
when he doesn't write us any
more - when is he coming back
to America again - Best to you both -
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